

**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figs. 1 and 2. These sheets, which include Figs. 1-2, replace the original sheets including Figs. 1 and 2. Reference character 5a has been added to both Figs. 1 and 2 to indicate the metallic components in the recess-filling body of the damping device.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is presented to place the application in proper form for examination and to eliminate multiple dependency from the present claims. No new matter has been added. Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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